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## <u>Speaker Bosma Announces 2014 Interim Committee</u> <u>Assignments</u>

STATEHOUSE — House Speaker Brian C. Bosma (R-Indianapolis) announced the 2014 interim committee assignments for members of the Indiana House of Representatives.

"Interim study committees lay much of the groundwork for each legislative session and are an integral part of the process. I am pleased the Legislature will begin reviewing these many important topics, so we can build on the progress we made this year and continue our efforts to strengthen Indiana for Hoosier families," said Speaker Bosma.

After each legislative session adjourns, members of the General Assembly continue their work throughout the summer months by serving on interim study committees. Members of each committee are tasked with discussing, debating and conducting indepth review on the topics assigned to their committees. Additionally, committee members receive public testimony and are able to work out the specifics on potential legislation before it is introduced in the 2015 legislative session.

Last month, the Legislative Council met and determined the topics that will be studied this interim. Some of those topics include digital privacy, early childhood education and veterans' benefits to list a few. Most interim committees will start meeting in July with a majority of their work concluded by the end of October.

"The work that is completed during the interim is just as vital as the legislative session," said Speaker Bosma. "With many important issues impacting our state, these committees provide an excellent opportunity for lawmakers and the public to work together in order to make Indiana a better place to live, work and raise a family."

To see a complete list of the assigned committees, member appointments and what the committees are charged with studying please see the attached documents or visit: <a href="https://www.in.gov/legislative/house-republicans/">www.in.gov/legislative/house-republicans/</a>.